IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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For: VERTICALLY INTEGRATED FLASH EEPROM FOR GREATER DENSITY AND LOWER COST

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Morgan Hill, California

June 9, 1998

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the final rejection Office Action mailed 3/10/98, please consider the following arguments for patentability of the claims as amended in the amendment mailed 15 November 1997. Those claims are repeated below with the bracketed material removed and the underlines removed. Some amendments have been made to put the claims in better condition for appeal and good and sufficient reason is believed to exist why these amendments should be entered. These reasons are given below in the remarks section.

IN THE DRAWINGS

Marked up sketches of Figure 33 and Figures 3 and 4 with the changes marked in red ink are submitted herewith for approval by the Examiner.